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STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: June 23, 2015

DATE: June 1, 2015
TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Trish Dyer, Fiscal Compliance Officer
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THROUGH: Ben Hutchins, CPA, Director, Finance and Administration Division
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SUBJECT: Accept grant funding [\$25,124.18 with no County match] from the USDA Forest Service, received under the Schools and Roads-Grants to States (SRS Act) which was re-authorized by Congress and signed into law on April 16, 2015 for the benefit of public schools and roads; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

Washoe County has in previous years received an annual allocation of funds through the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (SRS Act). The program expired on September 30, 2014 and was just re-authorized by Congress in April of 2015. A total of \$50,248.35 has been received by the Washoe County Treasurer, to be split equally between the CSD Roads Division and the Washoe County School District.

County Priority/Goal supported by this item: Sustainability of our financial, social and natural resources.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On April 14, 2015 the Board of County Commissioners (Board) accepted grant funding in the amount of \$4,732.07 from the USDA Forest Service under the 1908 Act, which governed the distribution of payments to states when the SRS Act expired on September 30, 2014.

On June 17, 2014 the Board accepted grant funding in the amount of \$31,968.49 under the SRS Act, which was reauthorized for Federal Fiscal Year 2013.

On December 17, 2013 the Board approved a Resolution affirming the County's election to receive payment under the Federal Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act using the State Payment Option with all funds directed to Title I – Road and School Projects.

The Board has accepted the funds annually when received.

AGENDA ITEM # 541

BACKGROUND

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: Schools and Roads – Grants to States

Scope of the Project: Funding is provided to States and Counties from the U.S. Forest Service under 16 U.S.C. 500. The program objective is to share receipts from the National Forests with the states in which the forests are situated. Washoe County’s share of funds is to be used for the benefit of public roads within the county.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: This funding supplements the budget for roads maintenance and projects, which are currently funded primarily through fuel taxes.

On-Going Program Support: N/A

Award Amount: \$25,124.18

Grant Period: Funds are received annually

Funding Source: U.S. Forest Service

Pass through From: N/A

CFDA Number: 10.665

Grant ID Number: N/A

Match Amount and Type: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the Board accept this grant funding the FY 2014/15 revenue budget in the Roads Special Revenue Fund (216) will be increased as follows:

IN11014-431100	Schools & Roads Grants – Federal Grants	\$25,124.18
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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept grant funding [\$25,124.18 with no County match] from the USDA Forest Service, received under the Schools and Roads-Grants to States (SRS Act) which was re-authorized by Congress and signed into law on April 16, 2015 for the benefit of public schools and roads; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the appropriate budget adjustments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be: “Move to accept grant funding [\$25,124.18 with no County match] from the USDA Forest Service, received under the Schools and Roads-Grants to States (SRS Act) which was re-authorized by Congress and signed into law on April 16, 2015 for the benefit of public schools and roads; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the appropriate budget adjustments.”